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COUNTY RECEIVES TOP HONORS FOR O'RORKE BRIDGE PROJECT

MONROE COUNTY TAKES FIRST PLACE IN THE 2004 EXCELLENCE IN PARTNERING COMPETITION

Monroe County Executive **Maggie Brooks** announced today that Monroe County received top honors this week for its work on the O'Rorke Bridge Project. The County was selected as the 2004 First Place winner for the Excellence in Partnering Award. The award was given on December 8 by the Associated General Contractors of America (ACG) and the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) at the ACG/DOT Technical Conference in Saratoga Springs. Receiving the award with Monroe County were project partners Crane Hogan Structural Systems, Inc. and New York State Department of Transportation Region 4 (NYSDOT Region 4).

"This award reflects Monroe County's commitment and dedication to the O'Rorke Bridge project," said Monroe County Executive Maggie Brooks. "We are pleased to be recognized for partnering with Crane Hogan Structural Systems, Inc. and NYSDOT Region 4 on the design and construction. I commend the Monroe County Department of Transportation for their tireless efforts on this project."

The O'Rorke Bridge which links Rochester and Irondequoit over the Genesee River opened in October of this year to replace the antiquated 87-year-old Stutson Street Bridge. The bridge was named after Colonel Patrick O'Rorke, a local Civil War hero.

The Excellence in Partnering Award is presented to a project that meets the criteria set forth by the AGC and NYSDOT. Applicants are judged on adherence to the principles of partnering, teambuilding, improved communications, conflict resolution and delivery of quality to the job site.

To be eligible for the Excellence in Partnering Award, an applicant must be a NYSDOT or New York State Thruway Authority (NYSTA) project recommended and certified by NYSDOT Regional Directors or NYSTA Division Director and AGC Regional Directors. The competition is open to all contractors regardless of their affiliation to the AGC.